

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF ESTIMATE & TAXATION

The regular meeting of October 28, 2015 held in room 317 of City Hall.

Meeting called to order by President Tabb at 4:02 p.m.

Present were, Quincy (John Quincy, Chair of the Ways & Means Committee of the City Council), Tabb (Anti Tabb, Representative of the Park and Recreation Board), Wheeler (David Wheeler, Elected Member).

Absent: N: Becker (Carol J. Becker, Elected Member, Hodges (Betsy Hodges, Mayor of Minneapolis), Johnson (Barbara Johnson, President of the City Council.

The secretary reviewed with the Board: the postponement and reductions in assessments relating to the following projects:

2015 Resurfacing Program 9th St S, 11th St N-S, 12th St N-S and 7th Av N, Project No 5273: Postpone Resurfacing and Levy of Assessments for 7th Av N (reduces 2016 assessments).

The 9th St S, 11th St N-S, 12th S N-S and 7th Av N resurfacing project was approved and fully funded as a part of the 2015 overall Public Works Resurfacing Program in December 2014 (CPV15619TH). The property owner along 7th Av N has applied for a permit to develop a significant portion of this block. This mill and overlay work is being until a later date so that the work performed by the developer/owner is completed before the street is resurfaced. The levy of assessments for 7th Av N will be delayed until the resurfacing is completed and assessment will be levied the following fall. The collection terms would remain the same. There are 3 parcels involved in the total amount of \$11,481.30 that is will be postponed.

2015 Resurfacing Program 34th Av S and 43rd St E, Project No 5275: Cancel and reduce assessments (reduces 2016 assessments)

The 34th Av S and 43rd St E resurfacing project was approved and fully funded as a part of the 2015 overall Public Works Resurfacing Program in December 2014 (CPV156134TH). The original paving plan called for 34th Av s to be resurfaced from 42nd St E to 44th St E. It was later discovered that the southerly 220 feet of 34th Av S to 44th St E is concrete pavement and cannot be resurfaced with asphalt. This is a plan error and this area and the affected properties will be removed from the plans and assessments. The levy of assessments for the 7 properties that abut the concrete street will have their assessments cancelled. There are properties on each side of the street that the concrete paving ends mid-way through the lot. These 2 properties will have their assessments reduced by half. The total assessment for this project would be reduced by \$8,973.70 from \$32,390.96 to \$23,417.26.

Postpone levy of assessments, St. Anthony Parkway Bridge over BNSF rail yard, Project No 9698.

On April 15, 2014, the City Council passed Resolution 2014R-194 ordering the City Engineer to proceed and do the work and adopted the special assessment for the St. Anthony Parkway Bridge Project. The assessments were to begin collection on the 2016 real estate tax statements for a 20-year term.

The bidding documents were developed with the maximum flexibility given the complex nature of the bridge project. For the associated road construction work on California Street and Main Street, the contractor was allowed to complete the work in either 2015 or 2016. The contractor has elected to complete this work in 2016 to better align with other construction activities and to extend the time the bridge is open to non-motorized users. Construction is currently underway. The bridge will be closed for all users in October. The contractor is coordinating with BNSF Railway to begin bridge removal activities by the end of the year. It is the practice of the City not to levy assessments for paving projects until the project has been substantially completed. The levy of assessments is delayed until the fall of 2016 to begin collection on the 2017 property tax statements. The assessments and collection terms would remain the same.

. Postpone levy of assessments 24th & Snelling Street Reconstruction Project No 2298: Postpone Resurfacing and Levy of Assessments (reduces 2016 assessments)

On January 30, 2015, the City Council passed Resolution 2015R-042 ordering the City Engineer to proceed and do the work and adopted the special assessment for the 24th St E and Snelling Av Street Reconstruction Project. The assessments were to begin collection on the 2016 real estate tax statements for a 20-year term. This project will start construction later than expected with the majority of the work completed in 2016. It is the practice of the City not to levy assessments for paving projects until the project has been substantially completed. The levy of assessments is delayed until the fall of 2016 to begin collection on the 2017 property tax statements. The assessments and collection terms would remain the same

The Board directed staff to make the appropriate adjustments to the previously requested assessment bonds for each of the projects as to the amount and year of projected sale.

Quincy moved to adjourn; seconded by Wheeler
The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.